

HB 1027 -- EMINENT DOMAIN POWER OF UTILITIES

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This bill prohibits electric utilities from exercising the power of eminent domain if the project is:

- 1) Proposed and built outside a regulated regional transmission planning process;
- 2) Not eligible for regional cost allocation under a transmission tariff of a regional transmission operator or independent system operator; or
- 3) Constructed entirely with private funds and the users of the line pay for the transmission line.

The bill does not apply to rural electric cooperatives or municipally owned utilities.